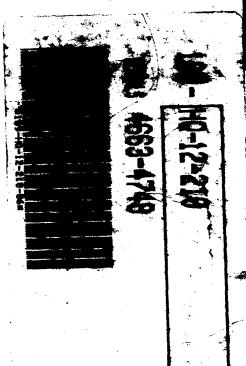
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left Havana, Cuba, by fishing boat on the morning of 11/6/63. The boat returned to the Mexican shore at Ciudad Del Carmen, State of Campeche, arriving there on 11/8/63.

Since his return to Mexico, D. F., has been intensely occupied in affairs of the National Directorate of the PCM which has prevented him from making secure contact

as soon as this can be securely handled will elicit additional pertinent details on these matters.



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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 11/19/63 who has been instructed

to seize on every opportunity to visit Cuba and the Soviet Union, is the high-ranking Mexican communist who provided the data herein. had gone to Cuba clandestinely and was en route to the Soviet Union to attend a meeting of Latin-American communist delegates scheduled for 11/7/63 in Moscow. However, this meeting was cancelled and informant returned to Mexico. Data herein will be subject of a forthcoming CINAL which will be disseminated to top U. S. officials.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D.

November 15, 1963

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CUBAN SITUATION

On November 14, 1963, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the following information consisting of comments of a high-ranking Mexican communist on the situation in Cuba as it appeared to him during a recent visit to Havana, Cuba.

The visitor had observed that the economic crisis in Cuba is serious as a result of the destruction caused by the recent hurricane. Food is in very short supply. It is rationed strictly and there is near-famine in the country and in some cities. The food supplies received in the emergency from socialist countries have been insufficient to alleviate the situation. The distribution of emergency food supplies regained from outside Cuba is beginning to provoke discontent among the people in general who have observed that members of the Partido Unido De La Revolucion Socialista De Cuba -FURS (United Party of the Socialist Revolution of Cuba) are being favored in the food distribution. Long lines are seen before food stores. Meat and milk are luxury items, and the people in general cannot obtain them without special priorities awarded to them by the Government.

The visitor had recaived information while in Havana that the armed forces of the Soviet Union in Cuba were being evacuated and were being returned to the Soviet Union due to the impossibility of feeding them in Cuba. The economy of Cuba had suffered such serious reverses with the destruction of agricultural regions by the recent hurricane that the visitary estimated it would be about two years before normal operations could be resumed. 15 Sa ph all 15 m

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Faced with this situation, Fidel Castro Ruz has had to dictate extreme measures. On November 1, 1963, Castro speaking as Cuban Prime Minister and First Secretary of the PURS addressed a mass meeting in Havana with reference to the economic crisis caused by the hurricane destruction in Oriente Province. Castro announced taxes on beer, tobacco and meat and the confiscation by the Cuban Government of packages sent from the United States to Cuban residents. He stated that the proceeds were to be used to aid the hurricane victims. The visitor commented that Castro's power appeared to remain firm as he dictated these emergency measures.

The visitor noted that although the PURS is the party in power in Cuba and some veteran members of the Partido Socialista Popular - PSP (Popular Socialist Party), such as and CARLOS RAFAET RODRIGUEZ, play prominent roles in the PURS, other former leaders of the PSP have been forced

in the PURS, other former leaders of the PSP have been forced to carry on their activities within the organization known as the Union Nacional De Escritores y Artistas Cubancs—UNEAC (National Union of Cuban Writers and Artists), located at Calle 17 and H. in the Vedado Section of Havana. These PSP veterans retain their loyalty to the Soviet Union and its "peaceful coexistence" policy as opposed to the apparent policy of the PURS. Since about July 26, 1963, Fidel Castro has shown discontent with and coolness toward the Soviet Union, together with a tendency to favor the Chinese Communists in the Sino-Soviet schism. The visitor noted that it was being said in Havana that Castro's discontent with the Soviet Union began with the withdrawal of Soviet missiles from Cuba. The visitor noted, however, that in general the Sino-Soviet schism was taboo as a topic of discussion among communists due to the delicacy of the issue. The visitor had observed that

Castro to performing assignments of no importance.

The visitor also noted that a group of communist leaders from various Latin American countries who had been staying at the Hotel Habana Libre in Havana, preparatory to departing for Moscow, USSR, to attend a meeting of Latin American delegates there, November 7-14, 1963, had been informed on November 4, 1963, that the meeting in Moscow had been suspended. News of the suspension had been brought



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confirmed the suspension of the Moscow meeting by discussion with the first of the PURS. Sordered the delegates to return to their respective countries. No reason for the suspension of the Moscow meeting was given to the delegates. The visitor had gathered, however, that some of the delegates were of the opinion the suspension constituted an attempt by the Soviet Union to mollify Chinese Communist leaders, looking toward possible resumption of more friendly relations between the Soviet Union and Communist China within a few months.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10 5010-106 MAY 1962 EDITION GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27 UNITED STATES GO | RNMENT Memorandum11/29/63 W. C. Sullivans Rosen 1 Sullivan Tavet" l - Belmont Trotter - Sullivan Tele, Room W. R. Wannall as Holmes . Wannall FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA SUBJECT: ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED IS - CUBA For your information, rus rurnished information he received in Cuba Much of his information was received from his own confidential sources described by him as of unquestionable reliability. While most of his information is repetitious of similar data received previously, some items are worthy of comment and are summarized herein. We have disseminated this information to the Internal Security Division of the Department, the Department of State, Central Intelligence Agency, United States Information Agency, and the military. by Cubans because of his ability to obtain accurate information from his sources within anti-Castro circles in Cuba. He feels the charge was trumped up in order to force him to reveal his sources. learned in September, 1962, that the Cubans had received 86 "offensive missiles". The Soviets, according to later withdrew 42 of these missiles but left 44 still in Cubas He had attempted to get this story out of Cuba but Cuban Government action had cut off his wire/service. Other agencies responsible for surveillance of Cuban military sites have repeatedly advised there lis no verifiable evidence that "offensive missiles" remain in Cuba. believes Castro continues as the dominant figure in the Cuban Government but in event of his elimination the existing regime is strong enough to continue control. Major Ernesto "Che" Guevara, Minister of Industry, is the second most important personage in Cuban Government circles and is currently concentrating his attention to improvement of the economy of the country. stated he has observed a noticeable decline of Russians in Havana proper in the past year. He estimated Russian strength in Cuba at the present between 5,000 and 7,000. He has observed Red Chinese in the Havana area but they are few in comparison to the Russians. observed that there is no organized underground movement in Cuba today and he sees little possibility of success for such a movement because of stringent security measures enforced by the present regime. He feels it would be impossible for the Cubans to rise /109-12-210 bx

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Memo W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan RE: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA 109-12-210

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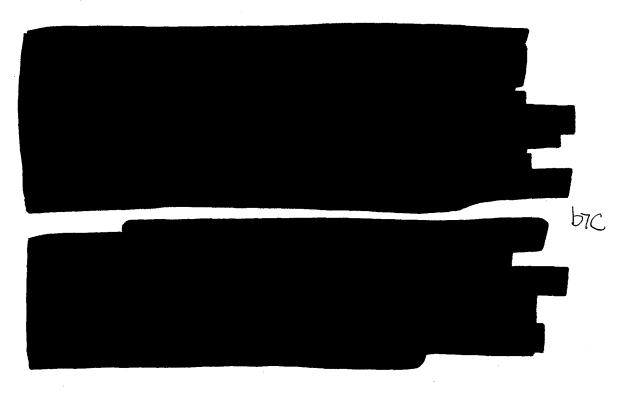
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Economy

advised that the economy of Cuba is steadily declining and there are great shortages of food, clothing, medicines, shoes and, in fact, all necessities of life.

said that, in his opinion, although Prime Minister Fidel Castro's economy is going down slowly, he still has a long way to go, if his overthrow is to be brought about by a complete economic collapse. Stated that he believed that the Russians would not allow Castro to fail economically because this would be a "black eye" for the Russians in the rest of Latin America.

advised that despite the shortage of food and the inferior quality of the food, the Cubans seem to find a way to get along. Stated that some people, with whom he was associated in Havana, were eating only three or four days a week.

Since Hurricane Flora, Fidel Castro has closed all the restaurants with the excuse that the food is being shipped to the victims of the hurricane in the Eastern part of the Island. Stated that the real reason is that there is not enough food to go around and that the former workers in the restaurants are now being sent out into the fields to pick coffee, cut cane and handle agricultural chores.

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advised that at the time he left Havana the only restaurant which was open was "La Torre" which is atop the Focsa building. stated that "La Torre" is the restaurant used by the diplomatic corps in Havana and has the best food available.

Leadership in Cuban Government

stated that Fidel Castro continues as the dominant figure in the Cuban Government. Should Castro be eliminated stated that it was his belief that the present Cuban Government had complete control of the country so that they could control any internal situation.

advised that Raul Castro continues to maintain his office in Santiago de Cuba, but during the past year has been spending most of his time in the Havana area. While in Havana, Raul uses four or five different homes as does his brother, Fidel.

Minister of Industry, is perhaps the most brilliant and dedicated individual in the present government setup. Guevara has, in the past, had disagreements over methods, but indications are that the Cuban Government is now beginning to do things in the manner recommended by Guevara. Guevara, at present, is doing everything possible to mobilize the work force in order to raise the economy of the country.

stated that he believed that the top Communist leaders of Cuba, such as Carlos Rafael Rodriguez, and are sufficiently in control to take over in the event something unforeseen might happen to the Castro brothers.

Underground Opposition

advised that there was no organized underground existing in Cuba today, and he saw not the slightest possibility of establishing such a network. Said that the reasons why it is impossible for an underground to exist in Cuba today are based on the following two points: 1) the existence of a very strong, powerful and efficient State Security controlled by Ramiro Valdes, Minister of Interior. Stated that in addition to the State Security, there are also the Committees for the Defense of the Revolution which exist in every community and in every block of the city.

for the State Security or the Committees for the Defense of the Revolution; 2) the second reason why an efficient underground could not exist in Cuba is because of the lethargic mood of the Cuban people. Said that the Cuban people realize that because of its security force and, hence, have taken the attitude that if you can't beat them join them.

advised that in Cuba today one does not have to be guilty of a crime but merely has to be suspect. said that in many cases people are suspected of counter-revolutionary activity, are arrested, imprisoned, and sometimes shot.

advised that another important factor which deters the establishment of an underground is the very efficient and convincing propaganda being put out by the Cuban Government. Said that the propaganda program of the Cuban Government is aimed at the young people, and that the government is successful in winning the minds of the young. The government has taken the position that they cannot change the minds of the middle-aged and older people, and that their revolution is dependent upon the young, and it is toward the youth that the Cuban Government is directing its propaganda.

Presence of Russians and Red Chinese in Havana

said that while he was in Havana, Cuba, he was confined to Havana proper and never was granted permission to leave the Havana area, although he had made two requests which were denied. Said that during the past year there has been a noticeable decline of the number of Russians in Havana by proper. He stated that it is extremely difficult to give an accurate estimate of the number of Russians still remaining in Cuba, but from his sources he would estimate that in Cuba, as of the present moment, there would be somewhere between 5,000 and 7,000 Russians.

in Havana are rather young; they wear no military uniform or carry any guns. Stated that they travel about the city freely and usually are dressed in slacks, sport thirts and very poorly-made shoes. In traveling about Havana, stated that the Russians usually travel by means of trucks.

advised that he has seen some Red Chinese in the Havana area, but they are very few in number in comparison to the Russians. Stated that the Cuban Government has shown the Russians and visitors from the Satellite countries preferential treatment in giving them rather luxurious homes and putting them up in the large hotels.

Possibility of Exiles Overthrowing the Cuban Government

experience of conditions in Cuba today, he feels that it is impossible for the Cuban people to rise up against the present government and also feels that any attack by exiles alone would be incapable of overthrowing the Cuban Government. Said that only through the complete support of an exile movement by the United States Government could the present regime in Cuba be overthrown. Said that he cannot see the United States at this moment getting involved in such a matter.

trust in what the Cubans, and particularly the Cuban exiles, say about conditions inside Cuba because of the propensity of the Cuban people to exaggerate the truth. Said that conditions in Cuba are very bad and are continually getting worse, but he cannot understand why Cuban exiles have to exaggerate a bad situation to such an extent that what they say is unbelievable.

The "New York Journal American", November 21, 1963, on page 10, carried a news item entitled, "Two Canadians Risk Death in Havana". This news item stated that Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson said that the Canadian Government had been informed that Cuba would seek the death penalty for two Canadian pilots accused of smuggling explosives and endangering the security of the state.

The news story stated that Mr. Pearson reported that the pilots were to go on trial in Havana, Cuba, on November 23, 1963. Pearson stated to the House of Commons that the Canadian Government was doing everything it could for the two men, and identified them as 31, of Montreal. The Canadian pilots were arrested by Cuban anthorities October 24, 1963.

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TO HUN

Director, FBI (109-12-210)

DATE: 12-6-63

FROM

Legal Attaché, Madrid (105-955) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

CUBAN SITUATION

PORITIE AL MATTERS. CUBA

Re Madrid letter dated 10-21-63.

In view of the closing of the Madrid Office captioned matter is being placed in a closed status.

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: DIRECTOR, FBI (109-12-210)

DATE: 12/10/63

NEW YORK (109-112)(C)

SUBJECT: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS-CUBA

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Renylet, enclosed LHM which set forth identities of a number of individuals who, according to the NYO double attended political indoctrination schools in agent (Cuba in 1962.

A careful review of NYO files developed no information identifiable with any of the individuals mentioned in . NYO files contain b7C this LHM with the exception of

Per Bureau instructions contained in ReBulet, the NYO has set out a lead for the Cleveland Office under the IS-CUBA." caption

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Inasmuch as the information furnished by concerning these individuals has already been submitted to the Bureau in a LHM suitable for dissemination, no further action is being taken by the NYO concerning this matter.

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Information copies of this letter are being furnished the Miami Office and designated for Legat, Mexico, 🗀 in view of the interest these offices have in this matter.

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TO

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12-10-63 DATE:

Legal Attaché, Madrid (109-16) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

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Miami, Florida December 11, 1963

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re: foreign political matters - cuba.

On November 27, 1963, a source who is familiar with certain operations of the Cuban Government, advised that recently Ernesto "Che" suevara, who had just been appointed Minister of Industry of the Government of Cuba under Fidel Castro, was in contact with a Cuban diplomat.

"Che" Guevara pointed out to this person that the recent 7th Congress of International Union of Architects held in Havana in September, 1963, had been highly significent and successful in strengthening Cuba's relations with many of the countries and their representatives in Latin and South America. He noted that the representatives were very well pleased with the development of architecture and industry in general in Cuba. "Che" Guevara explained that Cuba planned to undertake steps to renew tourism in Cuba by all foreigners. He related that Cuba had undergone an extensive program of offering scholarships, not only in Cuba, but abroad, particularly the Soviet-bloc countries. He explained that the people within Cuba, consisting of representatives from Soviet-bloc countries, as well as the Cubans themselves, had been able to

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increase their culture and development, and that before long, in the near future, they hoped representatives from the Soviet-bloc countries would be able to visit in Cuba as tourists.

He also pointed out that the National Academy of Sciences in Havana,

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had made significant progress with the aid of Soviet representatives. He also noted that the Cuban Institute of Art and the Theatrical Industry, located at 1115 - 23rd Street, Vedado, Havana, had greatly assisted, during the International Architecture Congress, and would play an active part in the future in the tourism program in Cuba. It is felt that with the advent of greater tourism into Cuba, additional revenue will come to the island in order that they may carry out their great development plans for the Revolutionary Government of Cuba in the future.

"Che" Guevara indicated he was furnishing to the diplomat certain literary works, including "Revolutionary Ideas of the 18th and 19th Centuries," by A. I. Volodin and E. G. Plimak; "Vida de Don Quijote y Sancho," by Miguel de Unamuno," printed and edited by the National Council of Culture, September 20, 1963; "Philosophy of Federico Engels - Anti-Duhring"; "Cuban Journal of Jurisprudence," by Carlos Marx; "Cuban Revolution," by Vidal Morales

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RE: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA.

y Morales, which covers the chronological history of the Cuban revolution undertaken by Fidel Castro, commencing July 26, 1953, when he led an attack on the Moncada Barracks, Oriente Province, which resulted in the overthrow of Fulgencio Batista; "Cuba Con la Mochila al Hombro" ("Cuba With a Knapsack on the Shoulder"), by Antonio Nunez Jimenez; and, "Bodas de Sangre" ("Weddings of Blood"), by Federico Garcia Lorca.

He also furnished a dozen 1964 calendars with reproductions of paintings, for each month of the year, from paintings by Cuban artists, which were printed by the revolutionary publishers in Havana.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida

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RE: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA.

Reference is made to the memorandum, dated and captioned as above, at Miami.

Source referred to in referenced memorandum has furnished reliable information in the past.

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It is believed the reported data concerning the Mexican doctor with whom as is the data that Cuba is now desperate enough to be attempting to recruit Mexican doctors, artists and technicians.

Two extra copies of this airtel and LHM are included to Bureau for furnishing to Legat, Mexico, who should be alert to report any such recruiting activities, or the departure of any known doctors and technicians for Cuba.

One copy is furnished to Salt Lake City for information. That office should be kept informed of the production of this source since that office provides cover for him when needed.

The enclosed memo is classified Confidential to protect a source of continuing value.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida December 11, 1963

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RE: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

December 20, 1963

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who has furnished reliable information in the 62/670 past, furnished the following information on December 2, 1963:

Party, recently returned to Mexico City from Cuba where he had been employed as a teacher of Marxism in various Cuban schools.

first arrived in Mexico City, he praised When (the Cuban revolution. However, shortly after his arrival, he spoke frankly with some intimate friends. said that he had returned to Mexico City with his family in order to obtain medical treatment for his children, who have contracted tropical diseases for which there are no medicines in Cuba. とりこ also claimed that there are very few doctors available for this purpose and they are not of very good quality. stated that the Cuban people are tired of working for considered the present situation the revolution, and in Cuba to be very unsatisfactory. said that the most necessary items of food, for both children and adults, are very stated that Premier FIDEL CASTRO is hard to obtain. becoming a tyrant and is persecuting the authentic Communists.

employed are attempting to obtain employment in Mexico City, and if they are able to do so, will not return to Cuba.

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Enclosures

Ten copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

Reference

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Source

The confidential source abroad mentioned in the attached memorandum is

The attached memorandum contains the results of a two-hour interview had by the writer with at which time

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It can thus be seen that

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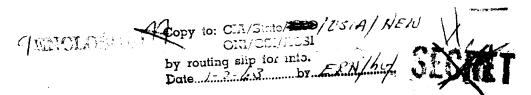
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with in order to obtain from him any information by the supplied by

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At Mexico, D. F., Mexico:

Will continue to follow the Cuban situation through all available sources, including the and keep the Bureau currently advised of any new developments.





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

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December 16, 1963

RE: THE CUBAN SITUATION

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On November 29, 1963, a confidential source abroad furnished the following general information concerning the current situation in Cuba, which information he said had been received from a foreign diplomat stationed in Cuba.

FIDEL CASTRO is making a great effort to strengthen relations with Western diplomats. He has recently called on the British Ambassador in Havana and invited himself to a lunch which the French Ambassador was giving in the French Embassy in Havana. On November 17, 1963, while the Italian Ambassador was at Varadero Beach in Cuba, CASTRO, who was also in Varadero, summoned the Italian, Ambassador and conversed with him at some length.

CASTRO claims that a deal has been closed under which Spain will buy 100,000 tons of sugar annually from Cuba for a period of three consecutive years. CASTRO is also reported to have stated that a Cuban mission is being sent to France and Great Britain via Prague, Czechoslovakia, to purchase bulldozers to be utilized in repairing hurricane damage. CASTRO is interested in a possible barter deal with Italy involving the exchange of Cuban sugar for Italian products.

The French Ambassador has been instructed not to make any commitments, but it appears that France is ready to forgive the credits frozen by the CASTRO government and someone close to apparently wants to reestablish commercial relations with Cuba.

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There is a mounting feeling in Cuba that CASTRO is tired of the Soviets and that the Soviets are even more tired CASTRO desperately needs machinery, but the Soviet Union and the satellite countries either cannot or will not help him in this connection. Despite the fact that CASTRO returned from his trip to Moscow singing the praises of the Soviets, the latter have insisted on Soviet control of aid furnished to Cuba and CASTRO has refused to agree to such control. As a result, relations with the Soviets are not good.

The refusal of CASTRO to adhere to the nuclear treaty was not done so much to increase his bargaining power with the Soviets as it was a desire on his part to underline his independence of Russia and world Communism. It was the opinion of the foreign diplomat that either CASTRO delivers himself to Russia or he is lost. While it is incredible that the Soviets tolerate the infantile actions of CASTRO, there is no doubt that his survival is in their hands and they cannot afford to let him down since he is recognized throughout Latin America as a Soviet puppet.

The recently announced draft of all men between 17 and 45 years of age has a double purpose, one being to have a strong control over all men in these age limits and the other to have a cheap source of forced labor, it being noted that the recruits will be paid salaries of 7.00 pesos per month.

CASTRO blames the hurricane for all Cuba's troubles, but no one believes him. The hurricane was a terrible blow to CASTRO in that many people are starving and CASTRO's refusal to accept a U. S. offer of food and medicine is known to the people and is held against him. X(U)

As one indirect result of the hurricane, the foreign diplomat believes there will be a great reduction in the outflow of CASTRO arms to other Latin countries. Large quantities of these arms were stored in caves which were inundated during the hurricane, and extensive damage was done to the arms by the water in the storage caves.

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OF THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The American Embassy Rome, Italy

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December 24, 1963

To:

Director, FBI

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From:

Legat, Rome

(105-573)

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Subject:

FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA

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ReRomelet 7/10/62.

Enclosed for the information of the Bureau is an 11-page copy of a resume of the Cuban situation which was received on 12/15/63 from "Washington Evening Star" columnist.

stated he had obtained this material from the Spanish Ambassador in Rome. The material was described as having been prepared by the Spanish Ambassador in Havana and disseminated to the major Spanish embassies throughout the world.

The material attempts to outline the evolution of Cuban interest and international policies in the last year.

Mentioned prominently in the latter part of the material is the rumor that the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. have entered into an agreement whereby the government of Fidel Castro would be overthrown and replaced by a socialist government.

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November, 1963

The Cuben Situation

The Cuban note sent during the international crisis expresse the determination of the Cuban government to prevent any type of international inspection of Cuban territory. The visits of Mikoyan and Kutnetzine to Havana signified the Russian intentions of keeping their Caribbean ally in line and, although they did not succeed in their immedite objective, nevertheless prepared Castro's visit to the Soviet Union. Castro succeeded in effecting an increase of the sugar price in the country of the Cuban debt to Russia.

During the first part of this spring the Cuban government intended to establish contact with the embassies of the West. Castro's attacks against the U. S. A. became less violent. Then the tension increased again. Cuba refused to sign the Pact of Moscow and renewed attacks against America, alleging infiltration and sabotage by U. S. intelligence agencies.

The hurricane "Flora" did enormous damage to Cuba. This caused the Cuban regime to concentrate all of its forces upon agriculture.

In the political sphere the tendency has been noted to we the key positions to young elements from the revolutionary ranks who ve accepted the Marxist ideology.

It is difficult to evaluate the feelings of the Cuban people ward the Castro regime. The cities are easily controlled by the 'erament. The counterrevolutionary elements are liquidated. The kers' class which enjoyaged a privileged status in Cuba before the lution, b is dissatisfied with the present situation, but, in general, distance is passive.

The most recent rumor, which has produced considerable excitement the exilenconsists of a declaration of the former President of Carlos Prio Socarras, in which he stated that the U.S. and the S.R. have made an agreement in order to establish a "neutralist-nist" regime in Cuba, eliminating at first Castro with a false rebellion

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(109-12-210)

From:

Legal Attache, Rome

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An anonymous male individual called on two occasions at 2:30 a.m. and 2:40 a.m., 1-15-64, and informed Night Supervisor Domestic Intelligence Division, that the U.S. government must watch all shipping into Cuba. Caller, who was quite repetitious and rambling in his conversation, warned that the Russians were shipping troops, guns and ammunition into Cuba for ultimate use in armed invasion of the United States and South America. Caller also made passing references to Africa, Haiti, Bolvia and Panama and suggested that U.S. government watch Russian and Chinese influences in these areas. Caller could add nothing further and, when pressed for original source of his information, he claimed to have received it from unidentified contacts in Mexico and Russia.

Caller steadfastly refused to identify himself; however, he indicated during brief conversation that he was an alien, was of Russian origin, had spent considerable time in South America and entered the U.S. from Mexico about 3 days ago. He also expressed possibility he was being watched by "Secret Soviet Police" and suggested that should he have further occasion to contact the FBI he would identify himself as

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SAC, Miami To:

Director, FBI (109-12-210)

FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA

These refugees represent our chief potential for obtaining

current information regarding economic, military, social and political conditions inside Cuba on a continuing basis. Your office has been very alert to report such data as received from the more knowledgeable refugees and it is urged that you continue this practice.

As you are aware information of this type developed by your office has been the basis for CINALS published at the Bureau and which have generated considerable interest in the intelligence community.

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NOTE:

Heretofore, Miami regularly provided memoranda suitable for dissemination showing individual refugee's evaluation of conditions in Cuba but these memoranda have dropped off noticeably in recent months. letter is designed to show our continuing interest since Miami with the concluded that the number arriving is too small for

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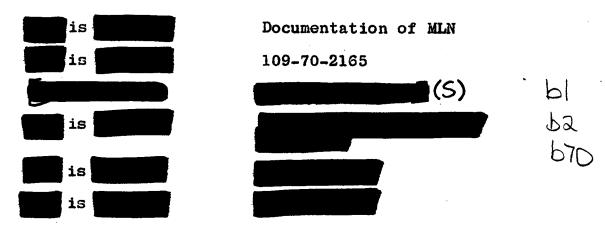
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Will, through sources in Mexico City and elsewhere, continue to follow pro-Cuban activities.

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FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA

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The Central Campesina Independiente (National Independent Farm Organization) will be referred to herein as the CCI.

has advised that the CCI, which was formally organized at Mexico, D. F., January 6-8, 1963, is a PCM-dominated Mexican farm organization.

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The Frente Electoral Del Pueblo (People's Electoral Front) will be referred to herein as the FEP.

has described the FEP, which was formally organized at Mexico, D. F., June 26-27, 1963, as a PCM-dominated Mexican political organization.

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The Movimiento Liberacion Nacional (National Liberation Movement) will be referred to herein as the MLN.

According to the MLN, which was formally organized at Mexico, D. F., in August, 1961, is an anti-United States, procommunist organization under the partial influence of the PCM.

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The Partido Comunista Mexicano (Communist Party of Mexico) will be referred to herein as the PCM.

The published statutes of the PCM state "the Communist Party of Mexico has as its final objectives to construct socialism and to build the communist society in Mexico."

I. PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THE CUBAN EMBASSY IN MEXICO CITY

tion of the

"Diario Oficial," an official publication of the Government of Mexico, for January 2, 1964, listed the following accredited personnel of the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City;

Chancellery and Residence: Francisco Marquez 160 Colonia Condesa

Telephones: 14-92-14, 14-13/-26 and 25/07-95

Most Excellent Sr. JOAQUIN MERNANDEZ ARMAS Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Senora CLARA CARBONELL DE HERNANDEZ Presentation of Credentials: July 3, 1963

Sr. RAUL PARICIO NOGALES, Cultural Counsellor

Sr. ROGELIO RODRIGUEZ LOPEZ, Second Secretary

Sr. ORESTES GUILLERMO RUIZ REREZ, Counsellor

Sta. TERESA PROENZA PROENZA, Third Secretary In Charge of Cultural Affairs Residence: Alabama 56, Apt. 5, Colonia Napoles Telephone: 23-99-59

Gr. JOSE MIGUEL FERNANDEZ ROA, Third Secretary

Sta. PEREGRINA ALONSO BALDONEDO, Third Secretary

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Sr. LUIS ALBERU SQUTO, Cultural Attache

Residence: Michelet 7, Apt. 301, Colonia Anzures

45-99-47 Telephone:

Br. JOSE ANTONIO GARCIA BARA, Commercial Attache Sra. MARIANELA LARIA BARUJA DE LARA Residence: San Borja 1357, Colonia Del Valle

Sr. OSCAR CONCEPCION MENDOZA, Commercial Attache

Gr. ELPIDIO INTERIAN COMEZANOS, Attache

Gr. ALFREDO M. MIRABAL DIAZ, Attache In Charge of Consular Affairs

It is noted that the individuals for whom no residence address is listed are recent arrivals in Mexico.

CUBAN CONSULATES LOCATED IN MERIDA, TAMPICO AND VERACRUZ, MEXICO

advised on August 22, 1963, that the Cuban Consulate in Tampico, Tamaulipas, Mexico, is located in the Chimeli Building, Second Floor, at Aurora and Capitan Carranza Streets. Vice Consul WILFREDO GONZALEZ is in charge of this consulate.

advised on December 15, 1963, that GONZALEZ continued to be assigned as the Vice Consul in Tampico.

advised on October 11, 1963, that the Cuban Vice Consulassigned to the Cuban Consulate in Merida, Yucatan, ROBERTO PEDROZA, travels throughout the neighboring areas spreading pro-Cuban propaganda.

Veracruz, Veracruz, Mexico, advised on January 24, 1964, that the Cuban Consulate in Veracruz had moved to a new location at Miguel Lerdo 137, Veracruz. The Consul is now OVIDIO SAMA and the Vice Consul named BUENAVENTURA REYES ACOSTA apparently is still assigned to the Consulate in Veracruz but has not been very active in recent months, possibly due to a temporary assignment in Mexico City.

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advised that SAMA had accused the previous Cuban Consul in Veracruz, JOSE POSADAS, of not being militant enough, apparently indicating that SAMA intends to be more active.

III. PRO-CUBAN ACTIVITIES IN MEXICO

furnished the following information on October 22, 62

The Instituto Mexicano-Cubano de Relaciones Culturales (IMCRC - Mexican-Cuban Institute for Cultural Relations), Calle Tokio 63, Mexico, D. F., which was organized and is controlled by the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City, has organized a committee to solicit food, clothing, medicine and money to aid the victims of the recent hurricane in Cuba. This committee was formed at the IMCRC, and the officers of the committee are also members of the IMCRC.

As of October 24, 1963, the committee had collected approximately \$3,500 in behalf of the hurricane victims.

furnished the following information on October 29, 670

The committee to aid the Cuban hurricane victims, mentioned above, had collected approximately \$3,500 as of October 24, 1963.

Propaganda was being distributed through various Mexican communist and communist-front groups, such as the CCI, FEP, MLN and the PCM, in support of the campaign to collect food, clothing, medicine and money to aid the hurricane victims.

furnished the following information on October 22, 620 b70

The PCM, as of October 29, 1963, considered Cuba to be among the communist nations who favor Communist China over the U.S.S.R. As a result, the PCM has been reluctant to conduct an all-out campaign for aid to the Cuban victims of hurricane "Flora." However, PCM members who are active in various PCM



front groups, including the CCI and the FEP, are permitted to collaborate in collecting contributions.

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furnished the following information on November 1, $\frac{62}{570}$

Contributors of foods, medicines, clothing and money to a committee formed to collect these items to aid the victims of the recent hurricane in Cuba included students from the National Autonomous University of Mexico. The funds collected thus far will be used to purchase foodstuffs at low cost from the Mexican department that deals in the regulation of the prices of basic foodstuffs.

also advised that the had given committee a supply of antibiotics, vitamins and medicines had given the b267C/D which he had obtained from various medical colleagues.

"Atisbos," Mexico City Spanish language semi-official Catholic daily newspaper, for November 11, 1963, contained an article entitled "The FEP and the CCI are Agitating with Agents Indoctrinated in Cuba." This article stated, in part, that the Mexican Federation of Agricultural Organizations had stated that the FEP and the CCI have sent members of their organizations to Cuba to receive training and to be indoctrinated in the tactics and strategy of the communists directed toward dominating the masses. The Mexican Federation claimed that these Cuban trained agents are those who are principally responsible for the campaign of agitation which has been taking place in various northern states of Mexico.

advised on November 27, 1963, that "Prensa Libre" (Free Press), a Spanish language newspaper published sporadically in Mexico City, is subsidized by the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City. stated that he had been unable to obtain additional information to substantiate this information but he regards this information to be reliable.

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advised on December 31, 1963, that various Mexicans and Spanish Republicans returning to Mexico, either permanently or temporarily, from Cuba have attempted to raise funds without much success. One of these individuals is the son of a Russian father and a Mexican mother, who recently

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has been attempting to raise funds and was also attempting to recruit young Mexicans to go to Cuba. The results of efforts to raise funds were negligible and he did not recruit a single young Mexican to go to Cuba.

advised on January 14, 1964, that communist front groups such as the CCI, FEP and MLN have been holding political or quasi-political public meetings in various locations in Mexico. Advised that during these meetings one or more of the speakers will praise Premier Fidel Castro of Cuba and the Cuban revolution. Stated that these meetings are very poorly attended, and it is not felt that these propaganda efforts are having much effect.

IV. COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES

advised on September 13, 1963, that during July, 1963, Mexico exported to Cuba goods valued at 538,717 pesos (\$43,097.36), consisting principally of meat products, seed, books, automobile and agricultural machinery parts, and imported from Cuba goods valued at 2,448 pesos (\$195.84) consisting principally of luggage.

advised on October 15, 1963, that during August, 52, 1963, Mexico exported to Cuba goods valued at 207,648 pesos (\$16,611.84), consisting principally of meat products, seed, medicines, books, automobile parts and clothing, and did not import anything from Cuba.

advised on November 23, 1963, that during September, 1963, Mexico exported to Cuba goods valued at 337,735 pesos (\$27,118.80), consisting principally of meat products, medicines, books, air conditioning units, automobile and tractor parts, and cotton clothing, and did not import anything from Cuba.

advised on December 8, 1963, that during October, 1963, Mexico exported to Cuba goods valued at 2,387,864 pesos (\$191,229.12) consisting principally of meat products, raw cotton, medicines, books, automobile parts, and articles of clothing, and imported from Cuba goods valued at 1,969 pesos (\$157.52) consisting of miscellaneous items.



advised on January 15, 1964, that during November, 1963, Mexico exported to Cuba goods valued at 257,981 pesos (\$20,638.48), consisting principally of food products, fluor spar, books, automobile, airplane and radio parts, and imported from Cuba goods valued at 875 pesos (\$70.00), consisting of miscellaneous items.



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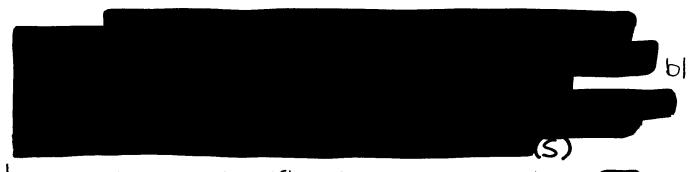
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Washington 25, D. C. January 27, 1964

Re: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA



On January 21, 1964, information was received from which in part disclosed that representatives of the Coordinating Committee of the Congress of Workers of Latin America had held a press interview on the previous date in which they denied the accusation which had widely appeared in the Brazilian press that they are communists. Among the members of the Coordinating Committee, said, was member of the Executive Secretariat of the Confederation of Cuban Workers and representative of the National Syndicate of Workers in Education and Science in Cuba. (SNTEC).

On January 27, 1964, supplied information reflecting that of the National Syndicate of Workers in Education and Science of Cuba, was in Uruguay in January to attend the 19th Annual Teachers Convention held there. \(\sigma \) said that reportedly left Uruguay during the first half of January for Brazil where he planned to participate as a \(\sigma \) delegate of the CTCR at the meeting of the Organizing Committee of the Congress of Workers of Latin America scheduled to be held In Brazil, January 24 - 28, 1964.

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Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 2/4/64

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Belmont

FROM : Mr. W. R. Wannall

SUBJECT: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA

On afternoon of 2/3/64 Supervisor of Washington by Field Office (WFO) furnished the text of the diplomatic protest by the Cuban Government resulting from the seizure of four Cuban fishing boats by U. S. Coast Guard earlier that day. The U. S. has claimed the boats were within the territorial waters of the U. S. while the Cuban Government claims they were in international waters and that the seizure constituted a "typical act of international piracy" by the U. S.

WFO's coverage of the diplomatic traffic between the Cuban Foreign Ministry and the Czech Embassy in Washington, D. C., (which handles Cuban affairs in the U. S.) shows the Cubans asked the Czechs to demand of State Department that the fishing vessels and their crews be immediately returned to Cuba. WFO also learned that following receipt of the protest the Czech Embassy asked a State Department official in over-all charge of Cuban affairs for an appointment which was granted and scheduled for the afternoon of 2/4/64.

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of State Department by Liaison Agent and WFO has provided a byc memorandum which was used to confirm this oral advice.

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FROM DIRECTOR FBI (109-12-210)

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U. S. REACTION TO CASTRO'S MOVES THIS WEEK UNDOUBTEDLY OF VITAL INTEREST TO PRINCIPALS OF CUBAN DOUBLE AGENTS. BE CERTAIN YOUR DOUBLE AGENTS AND OTHER LOGICAL SOURCES AWARE OF NECESSITY TO IMMEDIATELY BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION ANY ASSIGNMENTS OR OTHER SIGNIFICANT DATA RECEIVED. IF SIGNIFICANT ASSIGNMENTS RECEIVED, MOST EXPEDITIOUSLY SUBMIT COUNTERPROPOSALS.

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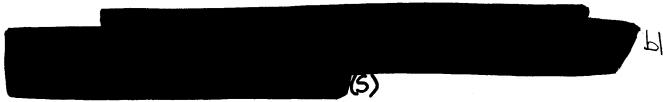
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Instructions sent to Cuban agents in Miami, Florida, and Puerto Rico bearing on current Cuban situation are set forth.

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The above-mentioned Cuban agents were instructed to furnish information to Cuba regarding military mobilization; arrivals of new troops, naval units and air units; and mobilization of anti-Castroites.



We have alerted our Miami and San Juan Offices to this latest data and have instructed them to advise the Bureau in the event their investigations of the Cuban agents develop data regarding efforts by the agents to obtain military information.

ACTION:

For your information. Any additional pertinent developments in this matter will be brought to your attention.

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SUMMARY FROM SPANISH

November, 1963

The Cuban Situation

The Cuban note sent during the international crisis expressed the determination of the Cuban government to prevent any type of international inspection of Cuban territory. The visits of Mikoyan and Kutnetsov to Havana signified the Russian intentions of keeping their Caribbean ally in line and, although they did not succeed in their immediate objective, nevertheless prepared Castro's visit to the Soviet Union. Castro succeeded in effecting an increase of the sugar price/applied to the reduction of the Cuban debt to Russia.

During the first part of this spring the Cuban government intended to establish contact with the embassies of the West. Castro's attacks against the U. S. A. became less violent. Then the tension increased again. Cuba refused to sign the Pact of Moscow and renewed attacks against America, alleging infiltration and sabotage by U. S. intelligence agencies.

The hurricane "Flora" did enormous damage to Cuba. This caused the Cuban regime to concentrate all of its forces upon agriculture.

In the political sphere the tendency has been noted to give the key positions to young elements from the revolutionary ranks who have accepted the Marxist ideology.

It is difficult to evaluate the feelings of the Cuban people toward the Castro regime. The cities are easily controlled by the government. The counterrevolutionary elements are liquidated. The workers' class which enjoyed a privileged status in Cuba before the revolution, is dissatisfied with the present situation, but, in general, its resistance is passive.

The most recent rumor, which has produced considerable excitement among the exiles consists of a declaration of the former President of Cuba, Carlos Prio Socarras, in which he stated that the U. S. and the U. S. S. R. have made an agreement in order to establish a "neutralist-communist" regime in Cuba, eliminating at first Castro by a false rebellion.

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In this note, which runs one and one-half to two pages, the Cuban Government makes claim that the vessels were just fishing in international waters; that on 12/9/63 the Cubans notified the Swiss Government (which represents our interests in Cuba) of a plan to send a fleet of vessels to that area; that the U.S. is engaged in a brutal massacre of the Panamanian people and an offense against the flag of this "brother nation"; and that Cuba categorically rejects the U.S. protest note as an insolent document filled with contradictions and falsities.

The gist of the Cuban note as set forth above was furnished immediately to the composition of Department of State through liaison channels and upon receipt of a letterhead memorandum in this matter from WFO, a copy will be furnished to State to confirm the oral dissemination. At the same time, was advised that we had received information to the effect that the Czech Embassy had requested an appointment for one of its officials for 4 p.m. today with the composition of Cuban Affairs, Department of State. This appointment appeared to be for the purpose of presenting the Cuban note rejecting the U.S. protest. (We received this latter information from our Czech coverage in Washington, D.C.)

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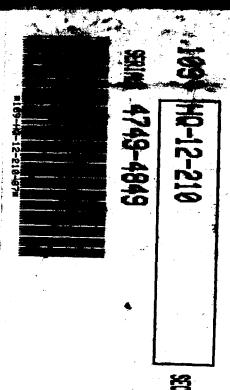
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THAT RADIO STATION CMQ, HAVANA, ON FEB FOUR, NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR BROADCAST PRESS RELEASE ISSUED BY RAUL ROA, GARCIAJ MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, CHARGING THAT THE U.S. HAD DETAINED AND SEARCHED FOUR CUBAN FISHING BOATS APPROXIMATELY FIVE MILES OFF DRY TORTUGAS WHILE THEY WERE ENGAGED IN NORMAL FISIHING ACTIVITIES IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS. ROA ALLEGED THAT ELEVEN AM ON FEB TWO LAST, THE FOUR CUBAN FISHING BOATS WERE STOPPED BY A U.S. VESSEL IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS AND TOLD TO REMAIN STATIONERY. AT SEVEN PM, HE SAID ANOTHER U.S. WAR SHIP APPEARED ON THE SCENE AND BOARDED THE CUBAN BOATS, ASKING FOR THEIR HE SAID AT NEAP PM THE CUBAN FISHING SEARCHED UNTIL DAWN.

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HE SAID DURING THE ENTIRE TIME UNTIL FIVE THIRTY PM ON FEB

THREE LAST THE CUBAN BOATS HAD MAINTAINED COMMUNICATIONS WITH CUBA

UNTIL THEY WERE CUT OFF BY THE U.S. M

ROA STATED HE WAS PROTESTING THROUGH THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN EMBASSY TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. HE SAID HE HAD ALSO SENT A NOTE TO THE CUBAN MISSION IN THE UNITED NATIONS TO INFORM THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UN IN NEW YORK CITY THAT THIS WAS AN ACT OF VANDALISM AND PIRACY ON THE PART OF THE UNITED STATES AND THAT THE U.S. WAS ATTEMPTING TO STARVE CUBA THROUGH AN ECONMIC BLOCKADE. HE SAID CUBA WAS DEMANDING RELEASE OF THE BOATS AND CREWS.

TRAVEL CONTROL SECTION, INS, MIAMI, ADVISED THIRTY EIGHT CUBANS WERE ON BOARD THE FOUR FISTHING BOATS CURRENTLY UNDER DETENTION AT KEY WEST, FLA. AND THAT EACH HAD EXPRESSED DESIRE TO RETURN TO CUBA.

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Date 2-3-64

The 4 Cuban fishing vessels referred to in attached were seized by U. S. Coast Guard boarding parties when they were discovered within U. S. territorial waters. No dissemination necessary as this information has appeared in the press.

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TO KEY WEST, FLORIDA BY U.S. COAST GUARD ARRIVING AT FIVE THIRTY
PM WITHOUT INCIDENT.

TWO SIXTY FOOT VESSELS NAMED QUOTE LAMBDA EIGHT UNQUOTE AND QUOTE LAMBDA THIRTY THREE UNQUOTE AND TWO FORTY FIVE FOOT VESSELS NAMED QUOTE CARDENAS FOURTEEN UNQUOTE HAD TOTAL CREW OF FIFTY FOUR, ALL APPARENTLY CUBAN.

CAPTURE AND CREW TO BE INTERVIEWED BY U.S. COAST GUARD AND CUSTOMS AND IF TO FEDERAL VIOLATION DEVELOPED WILL BE TURNED OVER TO FLORIDA CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT AGENTS MORNING OF FEBRUARY FOUR, SIXTYFOUR FOR PROJECUTION OF VIOLATION OF SECTION THREE SEVEN NAUGHT POINT TWENTY ONE, FLORIDA STATUTES ANNOTATED WHICH PROHIBITS ALIEN OWNED FISHING VESSELS FROM FISHING IN TERRITORIAL WATERS OF FLORIDA, A MISDEMEANOR.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Feb. 7, 1964

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CUSTODY OF CREWMEN FROM FOUR CUBAN FISHING BOATS SEIZED SHERIFF'S OFFICE TWO THREE, SIXTYFOUR, WAS ASSUMED BY MONROE CO. 50 AT KEYLL THEY WERE ARRAIGNED WEST, FLA., PM OF FEB FIVE, SIXTYFOUR. BEFORE JUDGE THOMAS CARO, CRIMINAL COURT OF RECORD, AM OF ALL REQUESTED OPPORTUNITY TO CONFER WITH REPRESENTATIVE OF CZECH GOVERNMENT PRIOR TO PLEADING, WHICH WAS GRANTED. ON MOTION OF JOSEPH JACOBS, ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, STATE OF FLA., CHARGES AGAINST SEVEN MEMBERS OF CREW WHO ARE JUVENILES WERE DISMISSED AND THEY WERE ORDERED RETURNED TO CUSTODY OF THE FOR RETURN TO CUBA.

FLORIDA CONSERVATION AGENT, WHO WAS ABOARD U.S. COAST GUNED WOOG CUTTER AT TIME OF SEIZURE OF CUBAN BOATS, ADVISED HE OVERHEARD RADIO MESSAGE FROM A CUBAN PATROL BOAT, WHICH WAS OVER THE HORIZON, BE ALERT TO OBTAIN DESCRIPTIONS DIRECTING CREWS OF THE P AND NUMBERS OF ALL TYPE

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OFFICERS OF MONROE CO. SO, WHO SEARCHED

CREWMEN AND CHECKED PERSONAL PROPERTY, ADVISED FEB SIX

THERE WAS NO INDICATION ANY OF PRISONERS HAD TAKEN NOTES OR

COMPILED INFORMATION OF MILITARY NATURE.

U. S. NAVAL STATION, ADVISED CREWMEN WOULD NOT

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HAVE BEEN ABLE TO OBSERVE ANYTHING OF A VITAL NATURE WHILE BEING BROUGHT INTO THE U. S. COAST GUARD BASE OR DURING DETENTION AT BASE.

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Crews of 4 Cuban vessels seized 2-3-64 within U. S. territorial waters by Coast Guard being placed in custody State of Florida following arraignment state court 2/5 or 6/64 for violation territorial waters of Florida with exception of 2 crew members who defected and granted asylum and indefinite parole.

Masters of 4 vessels being (Stransported to Miami for interview by First Secretary, Czech Embassy, Washington, D. C. Czechs represent Cuban interests in U.S. State, CIA and INS aware of this information and no dissemination necessary.

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FROM MIAMI (105-1747)

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CON FEBRUARY FIVE SIXTYFOUR, AT KEY WEST, FLA., JOSEPH JACOBS, ASSISTANT ATTORNEYGENERAL. STATE OF FLORIDA. ADVISED ARRANGEMENTS WERE BEING MADE FOR STATE OF FLORIDA TO ASSUME CUSTODY OF CREWS OF FOUR UBAN FISHING VESSELS SEIZED AT DRY TORTUGAS, FEBRUARY THEE, NETEEN PHYSICAL CUSTODY WILL BE ASSUMED FOLLOWING BISCUSTIONS WITH HOMAS CARO, JUDGE CRIMINAL COURT OF RECORD, KEY WES SWHO WILL ARRAIGN REEMMAN FOR STATE VIOLATION OF TERRITORIAL WATERS OF FOORIDA. MENTS WILL TAKE PLACE LATE PM FEBRUARY FIFTH OR DURING AM UF FEBRUARY SUBJECTS WILL BE DETAINED IN THE MONROE COUNTY JAIL, KEY WEST.

ON FEBRUARY SIX. NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR. THE MASTERS OF THE FOUR VESSELS WILL BE TRANSPORTED TO MIAMI FOR INTERVIEW BY

OF CZECH EMBASSY, WASHINGTON, D.C.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, CUBAN

COORDINATOR, TWO CREWMEN HAD DEFECTED

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Date Feb. 7, 1964

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REMYTEL FEBRUARY 5, 1964.

ADVISED RADIO STATION CMQ. ON FEBRUARY 6, 1964, HAVANA, AT 7:10 AM BROADCAST NOTE OF PROTEST AGAINST SEWHICH HAD BEEN FURNISHED BY CUBAN GOVERNMENT TO SWISS EMBASSIN, HAVANA, CHARGING U.S. WITH VIOLATION AN CHARTER IN THAT U.S. GOVT. KIDNAPED CREWS OF FOUR FISHING BOATS ALLEGEDLY FISHING INTERNALIONAL WATERS OFF COAST OF DRY TORTUGAS, FLA.

AT 12 PM SAME DATE RADIO PROGRESSO, HAVANA, BROADCAST RAUL CASTRO, HEAD OF CUBAN ARMED FORCES, MAD SENT NOTE TO SWISS EMBASSY STATING WATER TO GUANTANAMO NAVAL STATION WOULD BE SHUT OFF AT 12 NOON UNTIL SUCH TIME AS CREWS OF THE FIREING BOATS NAVY AT KEY WEST ALSO MONITORED THIS BROADCAST WERE RELEASED. AND IS AWARE OF THIS INFORMATION.

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RE MIAMI TEL, TO BUREAU, TWO THREE, SIXTYFOUR.

INTERVIEWS OF CREWMEN, FOUR CUBAN FISHING VESSELS, SEIZED
BY US COAST GUARD TWO THREE SIXTYFOUR, CONTINUING AT KEY
WEST, FLA., BY US INS AND US CUSTOMS. SEARCHES OF VESSELS
CONDUCTED BY CUSTOMS FAILED TO DEVELOP ANY ITEMS OF INTEREST.
NAVY DIVERS SEARCHED HULLS OF VESSELS FOR LISTENING DEVICES
WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

US CUSTOMS AGENT,
KEY WEST, HAS ADVISED IT WILL BE APPROXIMATELY EIGHTEEN
HOURS BEFORE DETERMINATION OF DISPOSITION OF VESSELS IS MADE.

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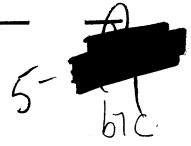
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TO DIRECTOR 109-12-210

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THEIR PRESENCE.

FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS DASH CUBA.

ON FEBRUARY TWO. NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR, ONI. KEY WEST, FLA, ADVISED HE HAD RECEIVED INFORMATION THERE WERE FOUR UNIDENTIFIED CUBAN FISHING VESSELS OBSERVED IN THE VICINITY OF EAST KEY IN THE DRY TORTUGAS AREA ON FEBRUARY TWO. NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR. THIS AREA IS DESCRIBED AS BEING WITHIN TERRITORIAL WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES. STATED

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD WAS SENDING VESSEL TO INVESTIGATE

ON FEBRUARY THREE, NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR, INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM UNITED STATES COAST GUARD, KEY WEST, FLA. THAT THE FOUR CUBAN FISHING VESSELS CONSISTED OF TWO LARGE AND MANNED BY ASTOTAL THE VESSELS AND CREW WEREL TAKEN INTO CHESTON BY THE MEN. UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AND ARE PRESENTLY BEING ESCORTED 14 1964 WHERE THE CREW WILL BE DEBRIEFED AND THE TO KEY WEST, FLORIDA. END PAGE ONE

MR. GELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Relmont Mr. Mchr. Casper allahan

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VESSELS THOROUGHLY EXAMINED.

THEY ARE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE AT KEY WEST SOME TIME BETWEEN
TWELVE NOON AND FIVE PM. FEBRUARY THREE, NINETEEN
SIXTY FOUR. THERE IS NO AVAILABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING PURPOSE
OF THE VESSELS BEING IN THE AREA, OR WHETHER
THEY ARE MANNED BY INDIVIDUALS SEEKING POLITICAL ASYLUM.

THE ABOVE IS FOR THE BUREAU'S INFORMATION.

THE MATTER WILL BE CLOSELY FOLLOWED AND PERTINENT

DEVELOPMENTS FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU.

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At Mexico, D. F.

Legat, Mexico, will continue to follow the Cuban situation through available sources, including the Italian Ambassador to Mexico, and will keep the Bureau currently advised of any new developments.





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THE CUBAN SITUATION

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who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had received the following information

Latina, the Cuban news agency.

Prensa

TOURISM

stated that the Cuban Government has been negotiating with Franch and English agencies to increase tourism between their countries. The agencies utilized will be those who specialize in arranging tours to the Communist countries of Europe.

The Cuban Government has already reopened some of the luxurious cabarets and hotels that were operating under Cuban President BATISTA. Temperature that they appeared to be about the same as they were before and are becoming centers of vice.

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URBAN TRANSPORT

The arrangement made with an English firm to sell passenger buses to the Cuban Government was considered a great victory. The Cuban Government claims that English mechanics will also repair old English buses used by the Cubans, but which are out of service at the present time.

Various cities in the interior of Cuba will utilize Hungarian passenger buses, which have already been tested and are considered to be acceptable.

RELATIONS WITH MEXICO

The Cuban press publishes very little news from Mexico. The Cubans consider Mexico to be the Latin American country that sympathizes most with the Cuban Revolution. The general opinion in Prensa Latina is that the good relations existing between Cuba and Mexico will last until the new Mexican Government takes power in 1964.

The Cubans feel that the next President of Mexico will favor the United States and it is very probable that the position of Mexico in regard to Cuba will undergo a radical change.

The Cubans consider the present Mexican Minister of Foreign Affairs, MANUEL TELLO, to be a loyal friend of the Cuban Revolution.

FINANCIAL SITUATION

According to comments of informed Cubans, the Cuban Government now has a large reserve of United States dollars. It is believed that the Cuban Government will soon have a strong currency.

The Cubans claim that Russian assistance is now very effective and apparently is designed to strengthen the Cuban Government in order that it may provide the impulse for political and economic revolution throughout Latin America.



POLITICAL SITUATION

to be the undisputed leader in Cuba and the Cuban people support him and his policies.

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MILITARY SITUATION

Few Russians are seen in Havana, but information obtained in the offices of Prensa Latina and through other sources indicates that there are Russian military units of high quality, composed entirely of Russians, installed in strategic locations in the interior of Cuba. These Russian units have no contact with the civil population.

There is a general belief in Cuba that, once again, there are rockets with atomic charges and atomic artillery assigned to the special units.



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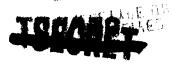
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DIRECTOR /109-12-210/ WFO /105-48187/ NEW YORK TO

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FROM MIAMI /105-1747/

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COUNTY SO, KEY WEST, FLA., ADVISED

CZECH EMBASSY, ARRIVED KEY WEST VIA NAL TWO THIRTY

PM, TWO THIRTEEN, SIXTYFOUR, IN COMPANY WITH MICHAEL STANDARD, ATTORNEY, ASSOCIATED WITH NEW, LAW FIRM OF RABINOVITZ AND BOUDIN. IN AN APPEARANCE BEFORE CRIMINAL COURT JUDGE THOMAS CARO, A REQUEST WAS MADE BY STANDARD FOR ADJOURNMENT OF THE ARRAIGNMENT OF THE TWENTYNINE CUBAN FISHERMEN HELD IN VIOLATION OF FLA. CONSERVATION LAWS UNTIL TWO EIGHTEEN. SIXTYFOUR. STANDARD STATED HE EXPECTED LEONARD BOUDIN TO HANDLE ACTUAL TRIAL OF THE CASE.

BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED FOLLOWING ARRAIGNMENT.

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WASHINGTON FIELD AND NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

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FOREIGN FOLITICAL MATTERS DASH CUBA.

ARRAIGNEMEN OF TWENTYNINE CUBAN FISHERMEN, APPREHENDED FEB. THREE, SIXTYFOUR AT DRY TORTUGAS, FLA. HELD THIS DATE AT KEY WEST. FLA. DEFENSE REPRESENTED BY MICHAEL STANDARD AND LEONARD B. BOUDIN WITH

CZECH EMBASSY, WASHINGTON, IN ATTENDANCE. DEFENSE WAIVED TRAIL BY JURY AFTER PRESIDING JUDGE THOMAS CARO DENIED A MOTION TO QUASH CHARGES AGAINST THE FOUR CAPTAINS OF THE SEIZED VESSELS. CARO WITHHELD A RULING ON THE VALIDITY OF THE CHARGES AGAINST THE TWENTYFIVE CREWMEN.

FLA. CONSERVATION DEPT. ADVISED IT IS ANTICIPATED CHARGES AGAINST THE CREWMEN WOULD BE DROPPED WHEREAS PROSECUTION OF FOUR CAPTAINS WILL PROBABLY COMMENCE

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TO DIRECTOR 109-12-210, WASHINGTON FIELD AND NEW YORK

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM MIAMI 105-1747

FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS DASH CUBA.

FOUR CAPTAINS OF CUBAN FISHING BOATS SEIZED BY U.S. COAST GUARD FEBRUARY THREE, SIXTY FOUR, WERE CONVICTED OF VIOLATING ELORIDA CONSERVATION LAW IN MONROE COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT EXEY ST, FLORIDA ON FEBRUARY NINETEEN, SIXTY FOUR. JUDGE -THOMAS=CARO SENTENCED THEM TO SIX MONTHS IN COUNTY ID ALLIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR FINE. HE SUSPENDED THE SIX MONTH SENTENCE PROVIDING THE PAYMENT OF FINE BE MADE PROMPTLY AND THAT THE CAPTAINS WOULD NOT RETURN TO FISH IN THE SOVEREIGN WATERS OF FLORIDA. THE FINE WAS PAID AND THE CHARGES AGAINST THE TWENTY FIVE CREWMEN WERE QUASHED BY ORDER OF JUDGE CARO.

THE CUBAN FISHING VESSELS WERE NOT CONFISCATED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND THE CAMPAINS AND CREW WILL BE RETURNED TO THEIR WESSELS THIS A. W. AND TO PROCEED TO CUBA.

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TO SACS MIAMI NEWARK NEW YORK SAN JUAN

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (109-19-910)

POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA

U. S. REACTION TO CASTRO'S MOVES THIS WEEK UNDOUBTEDLY OF VITAL INTEREST TO PRINCIPALS OF CUBAN DOUBLE AGENTS. BE CERTAIN YOUR DOUBLE AGENTS AND OTHER LOGICAL SOURCES AWARE OF NECESSITY TO IMMEDIATELY BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION ANY ASSIGNMENTS OR OTHER SIGNIFICANT DATA RECEIVED. IF SIGNIFICANT ASSIGNMENTS RECEIVED.

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MOST EXPEDITIOUSLY SUBMIT COUNTERPROPOSALS.

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We foresee possibility double agents might receive some calls or cables from Cuban principals regarding feeling in U. S. as aftermath to Castro's cutting down water supply at Guantanamo. Recipient offices control the double agents in Cuban field and it is anticipated we might furnish Cubans some misleading data if met promptly. **REU- 23**

If radio contact missed send by teletype.

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2/27/64 67C Airtel Legal Attache, Mexico City (109-187) From: Director, FBI (109-12-210) THE CUBAN SITUATION Reurlet and memorandum 12/16/63 concerning data furnished regarding the Cuban situation. by: No record can be located in Bufiles showing any subsequent by your office and, in view of the contact with significance attached to our liaison with to promptly advise as to status of this matter. Information as to will be in a position in the near future to whether on our behalf is particularly desired. ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED LEON 180267 BEKINDER RAM: gci 4 **(5)** NOTE: and collect data of intelligence interest to U. S. Government and it is felt we should bring the promise to the Legat's attention again. At the time Legat submitted a resume file on Cuba on 12/16/63, Legat indicated he was following closely but did not specifically comment concerning 1 - Foreign Limison Unit (Route through for review) Tolson Belmont. MAILED 8 Mohr -Casper FEB 23 1964 Callahan no MAR 2 1964 Conrad DeLoach COMM-FBI Evans . HANDLE AS DEP SECRET MAIL Gale Rosen Sullivan Tavel _ Trotter . Tele. Room Holmes . TELETYPE UNIT MAIL ROOM

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This lengthy diplomatic protest note from the Cuban Government has been orally furnished State Department and will be confirmed in writing. The note indicates the Cubans are very upset over U.S. dismissal of over 200 Cuban workers at Guantanamo which followed shutting down of Guantanamo's water supply by Castro. It appears the Cubans are trying to say it's all right for them to retaliate but not for the U.S.

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Reference is made to New York letter dated February 4,

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Enclosed for the Bureau are 10 copies of a letterhead memorandum captioned, "FOREIGN FOLITICAL MATTERS-CUBA; IS-CUBA", suitable for dissemination, setting out information furnished by the subject on 3/12/68. Also enclosed are 10 copies

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York March 16, 1964

Re: Foreign Political Matters - Cuba Internal Security - Cuba

On March 12, 1964.

advised that he had just received a letter from a Cuban friend, whom he considers to be extremely reliable and who is in a position to furnish accurate information. In the letter, the friend stated that he had heard that Raul Castro had been caught in an ambush and shot in the head, stomach and spine. He is supposedly partially paralyzed and in serious condition. He is to be taken to the Soviet Union for an operation, inasmuch as all Cuban doctors are afraid to handle the case because of the possibility of failure and the likelihood that they would be held personally responsible.

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added that the letter stated that by governmental decree, all newspapers and magazines now being received in Cuban post offices are being shipped to pulp mills rather than being delivered to the addressees.

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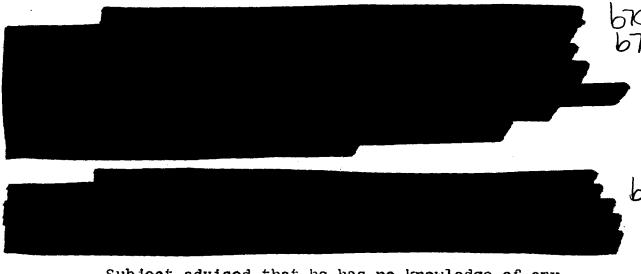
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dated 8/21/63 670 Rerep of SA Nylets to Director, dated 12/31/63 and 2/26/64. Bulet to NY dated 1/16/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 10 espies of a LHM (1- Bufile 109-12-210) captioned FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS-CIBA suitable for dissemination setting forth the results of an interview of the subject on 2/25/64.



Subject advised that he has no knowledge of any Cuban intelligence activity and has never been contacted by representatives of the Cuban government in this country. He will notify the NYO of any pertinent information regarding Cuba or Cuban intelligence operations which he receives from his Cuban sources, and of any contact of him by representatives of the Cuban government.

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Subject stated that he wished to cooperate completely with the FBI but that he desired that his identity be protected. He stated that he has previously furnished information concerning Cuba

On 10/22/63, SA was advised by a representative of CIA that the files of CIA did not contain any pertinent information identifiable with

Source in LHM is (request).



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On February 25, 1964.

friends in cuba, whom he considers to be extremely reliable and in a position to furnish acurate information had advised him that 90 per cent of the Cuban people are now against Castro but that they cannot move against him because Cuba is a police state. It is not uncommon nowadays to see phrases such as "the more we see Russians the more we like Americans" written on the walls in public places. Any invasion must be in full force to succeed and there is no chance whatsoever of Castro being overthrown from inside Cuba.

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stated that there are two factions high in the Cuban government, namely the Communist and the 6ld followers of Castro and his revolution. Castro's iron hand cases the friction between these two factions but if Castro were to die there would be a fierce struggle for power.

The food situation is not as bad as it used to be. As a result of having received wheat from Canada, bread is now available. Christmas ration of one of friend's was one apple, one banana, one quarter pound of pork and 12 grapes. There is no black market now but chickens formerly cost \$9.00 a piece. Scotch whiskey cost \$80 a bottle when available.

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At night there is still much movement of huge long trucks through the Cuban countryside. There are no Cubans at the Russian military installations. The Russians are readily identifiable by the poor quality brown shoes which they wear. Cuban teenagers, who seemed happy and gay as they rode the military vehicles during the early stages of Castro's government, now appear to be grim faced.

added that he has been told that the new buses which are scheduled to be received in Cuba shortly, will not last long because the bus drivers will sabotage them. The drivers are bitter because the government ruined there powerful union.

stated that one of his friends who has had personal contact with Fidel Castro described him as being "in the clouds"but nevertheless a "very convincing talker".



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FROM MIAMI /105-1747/ 2-P

POLITICAL MATTERS-CUBA

Mr. Tolson Mr. Belmont

Mr. Mohr.

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Mr. Callahan.

RE EARLIER TELETYPE MARCH TWENTIETH CONCERNING ARRIVAL AY TKEY WEST OF CUBAN AIR FORCE HELICOPTER WITH FOUR MEN ABOARD, ONE DEAD.

AT FIVE FIFTEEN PM. MARCH TWENTIETH, WILLIAM A. MEADOWS, JR., USA, MIAMI, INFORMED HE HAD JUST TALKED WITH A STATE DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE WHO INFORMED IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY THE DEAD CUBAN HAD EXPIRED WITHIN US TERRITORY, CONSIDERATIN SHOULD BE GIVEN AS TO WHETHER ANY FEDERAL JURISDICTION WITH RESPECT TO THE MURDER EXISTS, AND WHETHER AN AUTOPSY SHOULD BE CONDUCTED AT THE REQUEST OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

MR. MEADOWS ADVISED THAT AFTER READING THE STATUTES IT IS CLEAR THAT ANY JURISDICTION UNDER FEDERAL STATUTES WOULD LIE WHERE THE INJURY WAS INFLICTED AND NOT WHERE DEATH OCCURRED. HE SAID THAT INAS-MUCH AS THE INJURY WAS INFLICTED OVER COBA, THERE WOULD APPEAR TO BE NO FEDERAL JURISDICTION AS TO THE MURDER, AND THAT ANY AUTOPSY END PAGE ONE

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MR. MEADOWS SAID IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE HE INTENDED TO RECOMMEND TO

IN MIAMI, THAT HE REQUEST

THE LOCAL CORONER AT KEY WEST TO PERFORM AN AUTOPSY AND ADVISE HIM

OF THE RESULTS AS A MATTER OF COOPERATION.

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date March 22, 1964

Cuban Air Force helicopter in custody of U.S. Custems, Key West, Florida.

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THAT THE HELICOPTER INVOLVED IN THIS MATTER APPEARS TO BE RUSSIAN BUILT, COPY OF SIKORSKY, IT HAS NUMBER 20 PAINTED IN WHITE ON EACH SIDE AND A SMALL CUBAN FLAG PAINTED ON THE TAIL ASSEMBLY. IT HAS FUELING AND LOADING INSTRUCTIONS ON THE OUTSIDE IN ENGLISH, AND RUSSIAN LETTERING ON THE INSTRUMENT PANEL. IT WILL CARRY APPROXIMATELY EIGHT PASSENGERS. IT IS PRESENTLY IN CUSTODY OF U. S. CUSTOMS AT THE NAVY SEAPLANE BASE. KEY WEST.

CONTINUED THAT THE HELICOPTER LANDED AT THE KEY WEST AIRPORT AT 2:31 BM, MARCH 20. THE DEAD PILOT, JOSE ARCADIO GARCIA. WAS GIVEN A PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION AT APPROXIMATELY 3 PM BY BERL PINDER, MONROE COUNTY CORONER AND JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. THE PRELIMARY EXAMINATION DETERMINED THAT THE BODY WAS NOT YET IN A STATE OF RIGOR MORTIS, WAS STILL WARM, AND THAT DEATH HAD OCCURRED ETWEEN 45 AND 60 MINUTES PRIOR TO THE TIME OF

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Three crew members of Russian built Cuban helicopter which landed at Key West, Florida, 3-20-64, interviewed by Agents while at Immigration and Naturalization (INS) Detention Center, Miami area, 3-21-64. Purpose - to secure any possible Bureau interest in security field.

denied prior knowledge of defection, desires return to Cuba for fear of reprisals. Escape plans of

put into effect in flight after 1:25 p.m. (3-20-64) radio check, vacinity of Havana Coast. Capt. Arcadio resisted plans and fatally shot by

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Dissemination will be made to State, CIA, Military and INS.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM MIAMI /105-1742/

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RE PREVIOUS TELETYPES MARCH TWENTIETH AND TWENTY FIRST CONCERNING CUBAN AIR FORCE HELICOPTER WHICH LANDED

AT KEY WEST WITH FOUR CUBANS ABOARD, ONE DEAD, AFTER HAVING TAKEN OF FROM MANAGUA.

BERL PINDER, MONROE COUNTY CORONER AND JUSTICE of the peace, key west, on march twenty forst advised heve EXAMINED THE BODY OF JOSE ARCADIO ARCIA AT RIGOR MORTIS HAD NOT YET SET IN AND THE BODY MARCH TWENTIETH. WAS STILL WARM. HE ESTIMATED THAT DEATH HAD OCCURRED ABOUT ONE HOUR PRIOR TO THE TIME OF HIS EXAMINATION, THAT IS, AT ABOUT

HE DESCRIBED THE WOUNDS IN THE BODY AS FOLIOWS.

ONE BULLET ENTERED THE RIGHT HAND BETWEEN THE SECOND AND THIRD FINGERS, AND EXITED BETWEEN THE INDEX FINGER IT APPEARED THAT ARCADIO MIGHT HAVE GRABBED THE AND THUMB. WEAPON WITH HIS RIGHT HAND, AT THE TIME IT WAS FIRED SINCE WERE CONSIDERABLE POWDER BULLET WOUNDS IN THE RIGHT SHO

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CHEST. THERE WAS ONE BULLET WOUND IN THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE HEAD WHICH EXITED BACK OF THE LEFT EAR.

MR. PINDER ADVISED HE HAD RELEASED THE BODY
FROM THE MONROE COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL MORGUE AT THE

Immigration AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE
REQUEST OF ##5 AND THAT IT WAS NOW AT THE KEY WEST NAVAL

HOSPITAL. HE INFORMED HE HAD NO FURTHER OFFICIAL INTEREST IN

THIS MATTER AS MONROE COUNTY CORONER SINCE THE CAUSE OF DEATH

HAD OCCURRED IN CUBA.

SEPERATELY BY AGENTS AT INS OPA LOCKA DETENTION CENTER ON JUNIOR MARCH TWENTY FIRST.

DESIRES TO RETURN TO CUBA AND IS
BEING TRANSPORTED TO KEY WEST ON EVENING OF MARCH TWENTY FIRST
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BY INS INSPECTORS ABOARD FAA AIRCRAFT. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT

HE AND THE BODY OF JOSE ARCADIO GARCIA WILL BE FLOWN BACK TO
HAVANA ABOARD THE FAA AIRCRAFT ON NIGHT OF MARCH TWENTY FIRST

OR MORNING OF MARCH TWENTY SECOND.

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HE SAID THE

AIRCRAFT INVOLVED IN THIS MATTER IS A RUSSIAN BUILT HELICOPTER HAVING THE CUBAN AIR FORCE DESIGNATION OF MI FOUR DASH A. IT HAS A TOTAL CAPACITY OF SIXTEEN PERSONS, MAXIMUM SPEED OF ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE KPH, CRUISING SPEED OF ONE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE KPH, IS THE PROPERTY OF THE CUBAN AIR FORCE, AND IS VALUED AT ABOUT ONE HALF MILLION DOLLARS.

THE PLANE WAS UNDER THE
COMMAND OF CAPTAIN JOSE ARCADIO GARCIA, SECOND IN COMMAND OF
THE MANAGUA HELICOPTER BASE.

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DENIED ANY SYMPATHY TOWARDS THE CASTRO GOVERNMENT. CLAIMED
THEY ARE NOT ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE CASTRO GOVERNMENT AND HAVE
NEVER BEEN APPROACHED TO DO SO.

THEY SAID THERE ARE FOURTEEN SIMILAR HELICOPTERS
AT THE MANAGUA BASE AND THAT ALL INSTRUCTORS AND OFFICERS ARE
CUBANS, NO RUSSIANS.

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Miami, Florida March 19, 1964

Re: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - PANAMA - CUBA

On March 18, 1964,

advised that

Indicated that he was accompanied by

to this conference. explained that they had presented their problem concerning the recent happenings in Panama to this conference.

stated claimed the recent Panamanian riots had arisen through an unprovoked aggression by the U.S. Army upon the students in Panama, as well as the Panamanian people.

in order that the Republic of Panama might retain its integrity and its position in the world.

himself as being an avid supporter of FIDEL CASTRO's revolutionary government, and was in accord with CASTRO's "Marxist - Leninist" theories, without further explanation.

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Re: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - PANAMA - CUBA

according to indicated that he had been in close contact with

He stated that the Cuban delegate had made generous gifts of rum and cigars to the delegates from Panama, as well as a majority of delegates at this conference in an effort to win their affection.

related to that pressure was being placed against President CHIARI of Panama, to recognize and accept all world trade including trade with the Communist nations.

He also stated that President DE GAULLE of France, had met with International Airport, during which time attempted to ascertain whether or not President DE GAULLE would be receptive to a visit with FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba.

according to indicated that President DE GAULLE was planning a trip to Latin America, Mexico and possibly other countries and hoped that he would visit the Republic of Panama as well as Cuba. Stated in further conversation with the had been unable to ascertain whether or not President DE GAULLE would actually visit Cuba or any other country except Mexico.

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Enclosed for Bureau are 9 copies of LHM concerning subject's activities while in the Key West, Fla. area. Two copies are furnished for WFO and New York.

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The source described in LHM is

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Also enclosed for the Bureau, WFO and New York is a copy of a newspaper photograph which appeared in the 2/18/64 edition of "The Key West Citizen," which centeins photo of subject and LOUIS B. BOUDIN.

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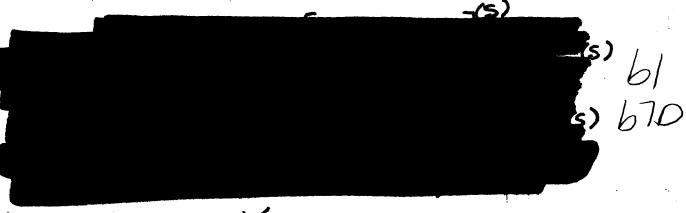
Miami, Florida March 26, 1964

RE:

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Washington, D. C., arrived at Key West, Florida, at 6:30 PM on Thursday, February 6, 1964, via Southeast Airlines. His purpose was to confer with the 36 Cuban crewmen in custody of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office, Key West, who were charged with a violation of a Florida statute prohibiting aliens from fishing in or utilizing the resources of the sovereign waters of Florida (Section 370.21 FSA). The Cuban fishermen were taken into custody by the U. S. Coast Guard in the vicinity of East Key, Dry Tortugas, on February 3, 1964.

On February 6, 1964, a hearing was held in Monroe County Criminal Court of Record, Key West, Florida, at which time the Cuban fishermen requested the opportunity to confer with a representative of the Czech government. Charges against seven of the crewmen who are minors were dismissed.



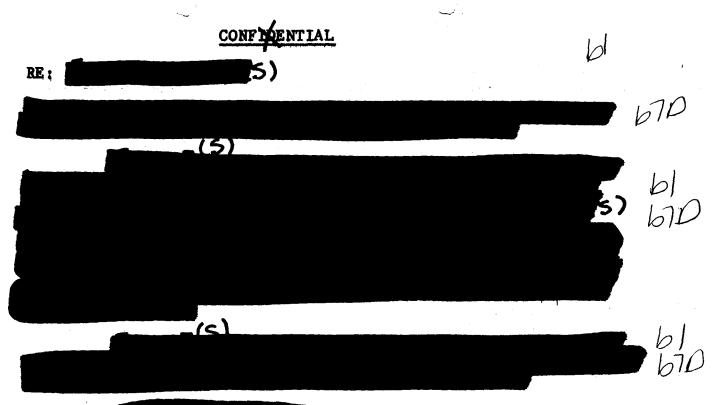
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Sheriff's Office, advised February 9, 1964, that sesided at the Atlantic Shores Motel, Room 112, during his stay in Key West. He conferred quite frequently with the Czech Embassy in Washington by long distance telephone during the two days he was in Key West. He was very pleased with the cooperation afforded him by local authorities and thanked them prior to his departure. He departed Key West via National Airlines at 3:00 PM, February 9, 1964, and was booked direct to Washington, D. C.

of that date he had not been notified that the Cuban prisoners had obtained the services of an attorney. Bedvised on February 13, 1964, that had returned to Key (5) West via National Airlines and was accompanied by MICHAEL STANDARD, an attorney from New York City.

On February 18, 1964, a hearing in Monroe County Criminal Court held that dated, the 29 Cuban fishermen were represented by LOUIS B. BOUDIN, who

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requested that the pending case before the court be heard by the court sitting without a jury.

The "Key West Citizen," a daily newspaper published at Key West, Florida, issued of February 20, 1964, contained an article advising that the 29 Cuban fishermen sailed out of Key West on the afternoon of February 20, 1964, after the four captains of the vessels seized on February 2, 1964, were found guilty on February 19, 1964, of violating a state law prohibiting taking of fish from Florida's territorial waters without a license. The captains were fined \$500.00 or six months imprisonment.

telegraphed money order to the Monroe County Sheriff's Department less than two hours after sentence was imposed. Judge THOMAS CARO ordered the charges against the 25 crewmen dropped. In view of their status as aliens the 29 crewmen were detained overnight pending transfer to their boats.

Defense attorney LOUIS BOUDIN of New York indicated he would appeal the conviction. BOUDIN announced that after a conference with his Embassy in Washington, had arranged to pay the fines "under protest."

On February 21, 1964,

County Sheriff's Office, Key West, advised that had expressed his appreciation to the Sheriff's Office (5)

for their cooperation in handling the matter of the 29 Cuban fishermen.

Stated he believed departed Key West by air on February 20, 1964,

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Director, FBI (64-45726)

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Bureau generally does not desire that your office forward Cuban propaganda material unless it contains propaganda directed against the U.S. or dealing with matters in which the U.S. has an interest. For example, one of the pumphlets forwarded with relet dealt with the U.S. Naval Base at Guantanamo and another dealt with alleged CIA activities directed against Cuba. These items, of course, would be of interest and were properly forwarded.

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Originally subjects were to be interviewed re ITSA and CAA violations. In accordance with Butel 3/21/64, B. FRANKLIN TAYLOR, Chief, General Crimes Section, Criminal Division, advised that although there were technical violations of the ITSA and CAA statutes in connection with the defectors, the Department would not entertain prosecutive action in

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view of international ramifications. Therefore, interviews of the subjects were conducted to obtain the details of the flight and any security info they might be able to furnish.

In view of the fact that two of the subjects said that the helicopter was valued at a half a million dollars, Miami is preparing an ITSA report, which will be submitted in the near future.

After receipt of info from Miami maintained contact with CIA, Miami, and Late in the evening of 3720/64, advised the subjects were being transported to Miami, destination the Opa-locka INS Detention Center, Opa-locka, Fia., at 11:00 PM. They were to arrive at Opa-locka about 2:30 AM or 3:00 AM. Agents were on standby at Opa-locka when

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they would be at Opa-locka about noon on 3/21/64, at which time they would be made available for interview by the FBI.

Agents were at Opa-locka at 1:45 PM on 3/21/64, when subjects arrived, and they were immediately interviewed. was interviewed first, because INS desired to fly him to key West, where plans were being made to depart that evening or early the morning of 3/22/64 to return and the body of JOSE ARCADIO to Cuba. The interview with was limited; however, he was cooperative. All of the

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subjects were fatigued,

Whoth subjects were very cooperative, and appeared to be intelligent.

Copies of the LHM are being furnished locally to INS, State Dept. Coordinator of Cuban Affairs, U.S.Customs, CIA, FAA and ONI.





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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida March 23, 1964

RE: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA

Cuban Air Force helicopter, fully armed, had just landed at Key West Airport with four men aboard; one was dead. They had departed from Managua, Cuba, a heliport just outside of Havana, Cuba. Alectified the dead man as JOSE ARCADIO CARCIA, a pilot. The other men were identified as

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killed ARCADIO with a .45 caliber pistol while in the air over Cuba because they wanted to defect and come to the United States. At that time, it was not clear who shot ARCADIO. The above individuals, according to were seeking asylum in the United States, and will be brought to Miami from Key West in the immediate future. The body of the dead pilot was to be left at Key West for the time being.

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Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Miami, advised the above remaining survivors would be brought to Miami as soon as possible. He believed they would probably arrive in Miami that night.

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On March 21, 1964, at Key West, Florida, advised that the helicopter involved

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appeared to be Russian built and a copy of the Sikorsky type helicopter. It had the number 20 painted in white on each side, and a small Cuban flag painted on the tail assembly. The fueling and loading instructions on the outside were in English, and there is Russian lettering on the instrument panel. At that time, the aircraft was in the custody of the United States Customs Agency Service at the Navy seaplane base in Key West.

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Key West Airport at 2:31 PM, March 20, 1964. The dead pilot, JOSE ARCADIO GARCIA, was given a preliminary examination at approximately 3:00 PM by BERL PINDER, Monroe County Coroner and Justice of the Peace. Mr. PINDER determined the body was not yet in a state of rigor mortis. The body was still warm, and it was his professional opinion that death had occurred between 45 and 60 minutes prior to the time of his examination. At that time, the body was at the Monroe County General Hospital, Key West, Florida.

Later in the day, on March 21, 1964, Mr. PINDER advised he had examined the body of JOSE ARCADIO GARCIA at about 3:00 PM on March 20, 1964. He confirmed the information furnished by that at the time he examined the body, rigor mortis had not yet set in, and the body was still warm. He estimated that death had occurred about one hour prior to the time of the examination, or about 2:00 PM. He described the wounds in the body as follows:

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One bullet entered the right hand, between the second and third fingers, and exited between the index finger and thumb. There were considerable powder burns on the hand. There were two or three bullet wounds in the right shoulder, which exited from the chest. There

FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA

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was one bullet wound in the right side of the head, which exited back of the left ear.

Mr. PINDER said he had released the body from the Monroe County General Hospital Morgue at the request of INS, and it was now at the Key West Naval Hospital. He stated he has no further official interest in this matter as Monroe County Coroner, since the cause of death had occurred over Cuba.

Upon arrival at the INS Opa-locka Detention Center, Opa-locka, Florida, on the early afternoon of March 21, 1964, subjects

were all interviewed separately by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). It was determined that desired to return to Cuba, and according to at Opa-locka, INS planned to transport to Key West that afternoon aboard a Federal Aviation Agency (FAA) aircraft. It was anticipated that would then be flown to Cuba with the body of JOSE ARCADIO, accompanied by INS officials. They would be returned on the night of March 21, 1964, or the morning of March 22, 1964.

born advised on March 21,

He described the aircraft involved as being a Russian built helicopter which had the Cuban Air Force designation of MI4-A. The helicopter carries a total capacity of 16 persons; travels at a cruising speed of 145 kilometers per hour, with a maximum speed of 175 kilometers per hour. The aircraft is valued at about a half a million dollars, and is the property of the Cuban Air Force.

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The helicopter

was under the command of Captain JOSE ARCADIO GARCIA. ARCADIO,
according to was second in command of the Managua Helicopter
Base.

The following is a brief physical description of as obtained from observation and interview:

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To the best of their knowledge, all instructors and officers are Cubans. There is no Russian domination or connection with the base to their knowledge.

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brought up to date on the latest speeches and activities of FIDEL CASTRO. Stated they desire to remain in the United States. They claimed that they fled from Cuba because of the communist regime of FIDEL CASTRO; that the people are hungry; many do not have the necessities of life, and that life in general is unbearable.

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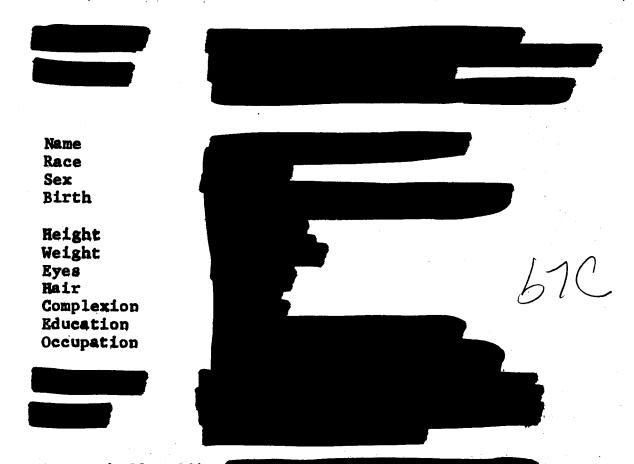
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Complexion
Education
Occupation



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FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA



On March 23, 1964,

INS, advised that subject and the body of JOSE ARCADIO were returned to Havana, Cuba, from Key West aboard at FAA aircraft at 7:15 PM, March 22, 1964. The above were accompanied by two INS Inspectors, and arrived at 8:00 PM. The body and were turned over to a Cuban protocol officer and a member of the Swiss Embassy. The plane returned to Miami, arriving at 10:30 PM, March 28, 1964.

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Memorandum of Special Agent dated and captioned as above at Miami, Florida.

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To: SAC, Savannah

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3/20/64 Date: Transmit the following in __ (Type in plain text or code) AIRMAIL (Priority or Method of Mailing) TO DIRECTOR. FBI (105-108241) FROM SAC, SAVANNAH (105-471) FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS-SUBJECT: CUBA ReBulet to Savannah, 2/4/64. A check of sources at Columbia and Fort Jackson has failed to produce any information as to the identity of the only Cuban trainee to take the course at Fort Jackson with a 670 similar name is one discharged in 1963 at Coral Gables, Fla. It is probably that above is not identical with the 679 Credit Bureau of Greater Charleston, Charleston, S. C., advised on 3/2/64 that the records of the Bureau reflect that reside at The records show that 670 The records also show that in the TI TI Peat Humus Company, that is located in Charleston County, S. C. He added that has a very satisfactory credit record and is a highly respected resident of Charleston. On 3/2/64, First National Bank of S. C., Charleston, S.C. advised that the personal checking account for was reviewed for August, September and October, 1963, and no checks were noted in the account that were made payable to a person with a Cuban name and no checks during the period Bureau (RM) - Miami (Info) - Savannah WES: ecw

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were cleared through Florida banks.

He furnished no additional pertinent information.

Greater Charleston, Charleston, S. C., and an SAC contact, advised on 3/9/64 that he has known as a resident of Charleston, S. C., a number of years. He added that is a very successful business and professional man, and he consideres him very reliable, honest, dependable and discreet.

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He did not know of trip to Russia in August of 1963 and he knew of no one that would be familiar with his activities during the trip to Russia.

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He pointed out that he definitely feels that if contacted by the FBI, would be cooperative, amenable and discreet, and would not divulge that he had been contacted by the FBI, or the reason for such contact by the FBI.

He added that he definitely feels that is a loyal and patriotic American.

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Since it is not known to the Savannah Division who might have been informed of the referenced transaction by and since there are no known established sources that are close to him. Also it is doubtful that any established sources would recall the Cuban name, or the given name of and his address at this time. It is requested that the Bureau give consideration to direct contact with and in order to obtain this data.

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It is noted that

in Charleston, S. C., and according
to of the Credit Bureau of Greater Charleston,

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TO Director, FBI

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Mc, Miami (105-1747)

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SUBJECT:

POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA.

Enclosed are mine copies of a LHM, dated and captioned as above.

The matter is reported to the Bureau, since it appears to be one of many examples of the fact that the Cuban Government is as ruthless as it was in January, 1959, when hundreds of people were needlessly murdered under the charge of being counterrevolutionaries. The source of the information. and is certainly not the kind of individual who would be in any Cuban political activity. He is just as certain that ERASMO MACHIN was likewise engaging in no political activities, since he was never absent from his mechanical duties at the shop.

Autostat copies were made of the passport and pass book, and are being placed in the exhibit envelope of instant file.

A copy of the LHM is being furnished locally to INS in the event INS is desirous of picking up the deceased's passport, and desired to correct its record regarding his residence in the U.S.

A copy is also furnished for the information of CIA, in the event the agency might have had any interest in erasmo cefering mchin.

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Miami, Florida MAR 3 1 1964

RE: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA.

On March 17, 1964, the following information was furnished by

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the United States, and does mechanical and body work on automobiles.

He stated that he had employed a Cuban refugee shortly after the latter arrived in the U. S., and found him to be an excellent man for grinding valves and installing new rings. This individual was Erasmo Ceferino Machin y Gartia, Cuban Passport Number 126614.

stated that there seems to be a growing tendency in the United States to regard the Castro regime as something which is to be tolerated and even welcomed on some sort of coexistence basis.

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stated he owed a duty to U. S. authorities to advise them of the death of Machin at the hands of a Castro firing squad, and he also wanted the United States to know that completely innocent people are being constantly murdered in Cuba under the charge of having engaged in counter-revolutionary activities.

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RE: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA.

wife out of Cuba since he arrived in about February, 1963. He stated Machin engaged in absolutely no political activities whatsoever, but was simply a good car mechanic and arranged with some other individual, identity unknown to go to Havana by small boat and endeavor to bring out their respective wives.

The first part of November, 1963, heard on the Cuban radio that Erasmo Ceferino Machin and some other individual had been arrested in Havana and executed as spies of CIA.

thought it might be a coincidence of names, but he subsequently received a letter from the widow of Machin which requested to send her the bank pass book and the Cuban passport of her deceased husband.

reiterated that Machin was not engaging in any activities on behalf of CIA or any other intelligence agency, but had the one single desire to get his wife out of Cuba. He stated he would deliver the passport of Machin to any representative of U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, and he would deliver the pass book of Machin, under Number 105941, Industrial National Bank, Miami, Florida, to any authorized representative. It is to be noted the pass book shows a balance of \$301.89. Stated he was sending an Autostat of the pass book to the widow of Machin in Havana, and in the letter he would tell her that the pass book would not be sent, since thieves in the Castro government would probably steal it.

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From data in Cuban Passport Number 126614, it was noted that the same had been issued July 10, 1962, in Havana, Cuba. It described the bearer as the som of Vivino and Loureana, born in Colon, Matanzas, Cuba, September 26, 1923, married, and by occupation a mechanic. He was admitted by parole into the United States at Miani, on February 22, 1963.

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Re Bureau R/S dated 1/31/64 which enclosed Legat, Ottawa letter to Bureau dated 1/17/64.

It has been ascertained that

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According to the "Fresno Bee" newspaper dated 11/12/63 the Fresno Peace Fellowship which called for an end to a ban on travel by U.S. citizens in Soviet countries. Fresno Peace Fellowship literature

has also been active in the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell and has been in contact with CP members and sympathizers.

Efforts are continuing to identify the The Bureau will be advised of the results of this investigation and a recommendation will be made as to whether or not further investigation regarding is necessary.

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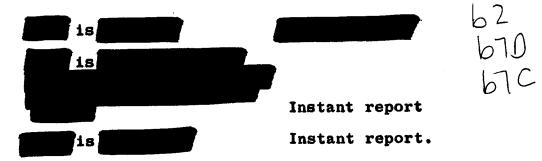
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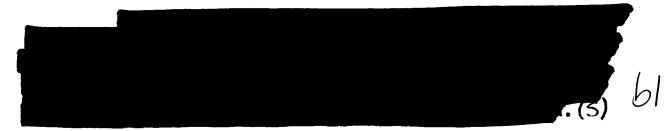
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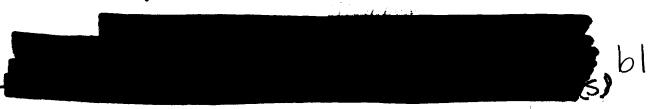
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advised on January 30, 1964, that celebrations of the birth of the Cuban patriot, JOSE MARTI, had been held at the Cuban-Mexican Institute of Cultural Relations (IMCRC) and the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City on January 28, 1964. The IMCRC, which was organized by and is controlled by the Cuban Embassy, had a brief program of speeches and readings of some of the poetry of MARTI. These celebrations were attended by a number of Cuban, Mexican and Central American intellectuals, in addition to personnel of the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City.



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relatively inactive. Stated that the Consulate apparently intends to establish a small printing press on the premises of the Consulate for the purpose of producing a small newspaper. However, advised that the former propaganda activities of the Cuban Consulate in Veracruz have been reduced to a minimum and there appears to be no intention on the part of the Consulate to resume them at this time.

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advised on March 16, 1964, that activities by pro-communist and pro-Cuban groups in Mexico appear to have diminished considerably in recent weeks. According to pro-Cuban activities appear to be confined largely to a continued campaign for food, medicine and clothing for the hurricane victims in Cuba.

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advised that various individuals in Mexico City who favor the present regime in Cuba feel that the decrease in activity in favor of the Cuban regime may be due to a desire on the part of the Cuban government to avoid antagonizing the new Mexican regime that will take office in late 1964. According to the Cuban government expects this new Mexican regime to be less friendly toward the present regime in Cuba than is the present government of Mexico.



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RE:

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(Humboldt #7 Incident)

Present Publicity

Radio broadcasts emenating from Havana, Cuba, heard clearly in Miami, Florida, and Cuban newspapers "Revolucion" and "Mey", both under the direction and control of the Cuban Government, have been devoting lengthy newscasts and news reports to a trial presently being conducted in Mayana, Cuba,

The trial involves the events leading up to the pelice action at Calla Numboldt #7, Namena, on April 20, 1957, which resulted in the deaths of Fructuose Redrigues, Jos Westbrook, Juan Redre Carbo Servia, and Jose Machade Redrigues, during which period Pulgencie Batista was President of Cuba.

All Cuban newspapers in Cuba, since Fidel Castro's advent to power on January 1, 1959, refer to this matter as the "assassination of the students" by gunnen in the employ of Estaban Ventura Move, then Chief of Felice. There are Cuban police sources.

killed were wild radicals, all armed, who refused to surrender to the pelies upon demand. There were, and continue to be, many charges and counter-charges regarding the identity of the informant or informants who teld the police that the students were hiding at Humboldt #7.

Castro's Interest is Not Justice

Enowledgeable Cubans, identified below, declare that Fidel Castro has no interest in justice, or in the merits of the case at all; that as a matter of fact, the four student

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revolutionaries killed were not in favor of Castro as a leader and he either held them in very low estimate or actually regarded them as rivals for favor and publicity.

It appears further, according to these sources undoubtedly to be true that Castro loaths and despises

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however, Castro now allegedly sees a chance to use to direct attention to himself, grow still stronger in the ranks of the Communist Party (CP), and upheld his popularity with his Guban supporters.

Stage Setting for Retrial of Informant

Castro factions and who has access to numerous Cuban news media, furnished a copy of the newspaper "Hoy" for March 17, 1964. Page one announces that the death penalty was given to Marcos Rodrigues Alfonso for informing on his comrades on April 20, 1957. He allegedly confessed he had netified "Batistan" Esteban Ventura Novo that the revolutionaries were meeting at Humboldt #7, and in the ensuing raid the above four young revolutionaries were killed.

One of the most important witnesses for the prosecution was the low who told the court about the low worst character of the defendant and agreed with other witnesses that the defendant had long been suspected of being the informer.

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Radio Progreso in its newscast of March 21, 1964, quoted a letter from Frime Minister Fidel Castro to Blas Roca, one of the "old guard" leaders of the CP, and presently

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Director of "Noy", which has long been the official organ of the Cuban GP. In this letter Castro pointed out there is some confusion concerning the trial of Mercos Rodriguez, and some "intriguers" who are trying to make capital of it. He stated some people are "so brazen as to insinuate that the revolution is afraid to make the whole frist public." He said the statement of the

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Reca to publish whole testimony, and declared he was ordering the trial to be reopened and to be made sublic.

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Radio Rebelde at 1:00 P.M. on the same date, March 21, 1964, gave a datailed summary of testimony 670 at the trial.

pointed out that Rodrigues had long been a suspect, that he had large sums of money, and had paid for his own trip to Brazil and Costa Rica. The property had succeeded in getting a scholarship to go to Prague, where he was arrested and returned to Cuba as a possible agent of CIA, and it was after this that Marcos Rodrigues confessed his guilt.

Jeaquin Ordequi, in which he explained that his mission was to do intelligence work for the Revolutionary Directory.

Ordoqui also long has been an "old guard" member and leader of the CP. He is supposedly in charge of the

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training of the military and guerilla tactics in the militia under the present set-up of the Cuban CP which is known as the PURS (United Party of the Socialist Revolution).

AIP (Agencia de Informaciones Periodisticas - Agency of Nawspaper Reporters) for March 16, 1964, noted that there had been considerable discussion about the difficulties between Carlos Refeel Rodriguez, Minister of the Nazional Institute of Agrarian Referm (IMRA) and Exnesto "Che'l Guevara.

Minister of Industries. AIP noted that on March 6, 1964, at a meeting in the Palace, Castro stated "Che" deserved the very high sitle of "Worker of the Vanguard", a statement interpolation was a pat on the back for the Aggentine communist and an indication of which side Fidel Castro favors.

AIP further noted that the creation of the Ministry of Industries, and the appointment of "Che" to direct it, took away some of the power of INRA, headed by Carlos Rafael Redrigues.

Pessible Consequences of the Trial

Castro is not actually interested in justice or in who informed on whom in the matter of the Humboldt #7 affair, he believes a power struggle is in order in Cuba which may not have any great significance, or which may touch off a large-seale removal from power of certain old line communist members.

who is acquainted with numerous high officials of the Cuban Government, and with several leaders of important anti-Castro feeplons in Mismi, reported in late October, 1963, that 670 670

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Cube in the not too distant future which would not be an actual purge in the sense of putting leading old line members of the CP to death, but which would remove them from posts of responsibility and gradually reduce them to positions of less and less importance.

action in demanding this retrial cannot be imagined by anyone familiar with Castro or with Cuban politics, as being evidence of an interest in justice. Stated that Castro actually leaths and despises

the new Castre government a large amount of ammunition and guns immediately after January 1, 1959. It was his pessession of these weapons which led to Castro's new famous alegan, "Armas, para que?" (Arms, for what?) He made turn in his arms and allegedly sent him to Moscow for two reasons. One reason was that he had promised when fighting in the mountains, that if and when Cuba established relations with Russia,

dain and contempt for the later of course, by a matter of common knowledge that the later of common knowledge that the later of known them well, by Cubans in a position to known them well, as perverts and as having no real moral or political scruples.

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greatly in importance. Fidel Castro may use the trial as a springboard to show that other people guessed wrong and that the "eld guard" of the CP, including Carlos Rafael Redrigues, made some serious mistakes, since the informer, Marcos Redrigues, admittedly was a member of the Cuban Communist Youth Movement for many years and even enjoyed a position of confidence among old Cuban Communist leaders.

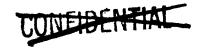
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illuded that this indicates any kind of break between Fidel Castre and the CP. It is merely to show: (1) that Fidel Castre is still the "maximum leader" of the Cuban revolution and the Cuban people; and (2) that while those downgraded are communists, he will direct all of his energies and speeches to showing they are bad communists who have made serious mistakes and errors in judgment. Concluded that in all probability those downgraded for mistakes and errors in judgment, since they are in no position to defy Fidel Castro, can empect no backing from their Russian musters.

both fast friends and degenerate perverts, were partitive informers of the Cuban police. According to his information, they each received part of the money which was paid to Marces Armando Rodrigues Alfonso, the one who allegedly gave the information directly to Ventura Nove.

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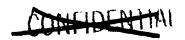
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According to it is not even a secret, but b2 is generally known, especially to Cuban revolutionary leaders 670 like Fidel Castro, that and were unscrupulous, conniving informers, who many times played both sides against 610 the middle, He therefore agreed with the other Cuban sources shove to the extent that Castro is not interested in the cause of justice, but is interested in turning this case into a powerful political weapon for his personal aggrandizement, and in order to weed out certain individuals he considers to be a hindrance to his progress and to his control over the many new members of the Cuban CP. He does not expect, however, for repercussions to be far-reaching at this time, and does not expect executions of old line CP members who "have erred in their judgment in the past".

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